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SUBJ: EVACUATION OF KHMER ORPHANS

REF: (A) STATE 75691; (B) STATE 77877; (C) CINCPACAF O 080741Z

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1. DURING A MEETING OF SENIOR CABINET MEMBERS ON MARCH 8, THE KHMER MINISTER FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND REFUGEES, KONG ORN, PRESENTED THE CAMBODIAN CHILDREN RELIEF ORGANIZATION'S (CCRO) REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING AND PROCESSING 220 KHMER ORPHANS FOR ADOPTION IN THE UNITED STATES. (THE MINISTER ORIGINALLY HAD RECEIVED THIS REQUEST FROM THE GKR AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON, WHO HAD PASSED IT ON WITH HIS RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL.) THE SENIOR CABINET MEMBERS FOUND NO FAULT WITH THE CCRO'S PROPOSAL AND AGREED TO IT IN PRINCIPLE. THE MINISTER HAS NOW ALSO SECURED FULL CABINET APPROVAL.

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2. AFTER MEETING WITH THE SENIOR CABINET MEMBERS,

KONG ORN MET WITH THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF WORLD VISION RELIEF ORGANIZATION (WVRO) IN THE KHMER REPUBLIC, MINH TIEN VOAN, AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF USAID AND DECIDED THAT THE MINISTRY OF REFUGEES AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WOULD TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOCATING ALL OF THE REQUESTED NUMBER OF ORPHANS. (THIS DECISION WAS MADE BECAUSE VOAN FELT THAT WVRO WAS NOT IN A POSITION TO UNDERTAKE SUCH A LARGE PROJECT AT THIS TIME.) WITH MANY OF HIS PEOPLE NOW SEARCHING FOR ORPHANS, KONG ORN IS HOPEFUL THAT HE CAN LOCATE AND PROCESS SOME OF THE ORPHANS IN TIME FOR A APRIL 9 DEPARTURE.

3. ORPHAN STATISTICAL UPDATE.

A. COMPLETED EVACUATIONS:

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(1) MARCH 17 -41 ORPHANS TO SAIGON; AIR AMERICAN C-47; FRIENDS OF ALL CHILDREN

(2) MARCH 26 - 5 ORPHANS TO SAIGON; AIR AMERICA C-47; NEIGHBORS AID TO ASIA (NATA)

(3) APRIL 5 - 22 ORPHANS TO BANGKOK; WVRO CHARTERED CONVAIR; WVRO

(4) APRIL 7 - 6 ORPHANS TO BANGKOK, TERRE DES HOMMES

B. PROPOSED EVACUATIONS:

APRIL 9 AND 10 -220 ORPHANS TO CLARK VIA U-TAPAO.  
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